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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
YOSHIHIKO HARA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: C.L. FRONDA
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FOR: L-GLUTAMIC ACID PRODUCING BACTERIUM AND PROCESS FOR
PRODUCING L-GLUTAMIC ACID

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 18, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

A discussion of the **Support for the Amendments begins** on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.